CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF PETITION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2073.3 of the Fish and Game Code, the California Fish and Game Commission, on February 7, 2007, received a petition from The Bay Institute, Center for Biological Diversity, and Natural Resources Defense Council to take emergency action to uplist the delta smelt (*Hypomesus transpacificus*) from threatened to endangered species status.

Delta smelt are endemic to the upper reaches of the San Francisco Bay Bay-Delta Estuary.

Pursuant to Section 2073 of the Fish and Game Code, on February 16, 2007, the Commission transmitted the petition to the Department of Fish and Game for review pursuant to Section 2073.5 of said code. The Commission will consider taking emergency action to uplist the delta smelt from threatened to endangered species status at its April 12, 2007, Commission meeting in Bodega Bay. Interested parties may contact Mr. Neil Manji, Chief, Fisheries Branch, Department of Fish and Game, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, or telephone (916) 327-8840 for information on the petition or to submit information to the Department relating to the petitioned species.

February 16, 2007

Fish and Game Commission

John Carlson, Jr. Executive Director